

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the Application of:

Toshiyuki WAIDA, et al.

Serial No. 09/767,842

Group Art Unit: 2164

Confirmation No. 3353

Filed: January 24, 2001

Examiner: Stafanos Karmis

For: PAYMENT FORM DISCRIMINATION METHOD AND APPARATUS

**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed October 6, 2006, and having a period for response set to expire on January 6, 2007. A Petition for a one-month extension of time, together with the requisite fee for same, is submitted herewith, thereby extending the period for response to February 6, 2007.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.